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Before moving into Executive Session on the next item, Update on St. John the Baptist Parish, et al. v. State of Louisiana, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, 40th JDC, Parish of St. John the Baptist, No. 45016, Div. B, Commissioner Stone asked that this be kept in public discussion until time to discuss the legal strategy. He felt the public should be made aware of what their concerns are. He then made that into a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Mouton. The motion passed with no opposition. Commissioner Stone stated about three years ago, approximately 65,000 acres of land was donated to the Department. Campers stayed on the property even though their leases had been taken away before the land was donated. The Department allowed those campers to stay on the property for one year and they began seeking other alternatives to stay. This situation has gotten very muddy and those people have gotten a stay order put on our order to move. Commissioner Stone then asked to see and have read the stay order, he would like to understand the cause for the stay order, and asked

if there was an end point. He then asked the Department to go forward with this situation with more vigor. Commissioner Stone felt if this problem unraveled, it would unravel every WMA the Department has, it would be unfair to the public and it would cause enforcement agents considerable difficulties. If there was a need to be ugly, Commissioner Stone felt it was time to be ugly since this was public land. He then asked for other comments and for Mr. Puckett to explain where the issue was and what the stay order means.

Commissioner Mouton stated he agreed with Commissioner Stone on the issue. This lawsuit has hurt some land donations since other donors are sitting back waiting to see the outcome. If strong action was not taken to resolve the problem, the Department may lose more land donations. Commissioner Mouton felt the State should be creating hunting opportunity and not taking it away.

Commissioner Stone stated another downsize to the delay, was the possibility of having a bill pass through the Legislature that would allow the camps to remain on site. Again, he stated there was an emergent feeling on this issue. Commissioner Stone asked Mr. Puckett to come talk to the Commission. Mr. Puckett stated Secretary Landreneau asked the Attorney General's Office to review Recently, word was received from the First Attorney the matter. General that their Office concurred with the Department on the Commission's policy to remove camps from WMAs. Having received that, a motion has been filed for a status conference and then have a trial on merits. The date for the status conference is Friday, November 12. Commissioner Stone asked if there was anything else that could be done to reach an end point? Mr. Puckett stated the end point would be the trial on the merits and the exhaustion of appeals. He hoped to have a trial date when the status conference Commissioner Stone asked for an update as things was over. happened? Mr. Puckett stated he would not have anything to report at the November Meeting, but would at the December Meeting.

Mr. Randy Lanctot, Louisiana Wildlife Federation, stated the Louisiana Legislature supports the position of the Commission and Department on this issue. He added his organization also supports the two groups.

Commissioner Stone stated he wanted to let the public know the Commission was insisting on an end point within the near future. Hearing no further public comment, Vice-Chairman Sagrera asked for a motion to go into Executive Session. Commissioner Stone made that motion and it was seconded by Commissioner King. The motion passed with no opposition.

Reconvening from Executive Session, Commissioner Stone commented the Legal Section was pressing along quite readily with the lawsuit and they were pleased that it may end soon. He added that the Executive Session did not change any of the previous policies regarding WMA campsites.

There being no further business, Commissioner Mouton made a motion to **Adjourn** the meeting and it was seconded by Commissioner Denmon.

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Before moving into Executive Session on the next item, Update on St. John the Baptist \ Parish, et al. v. State of Louisiana, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, 40th JDC, Parish of St. John the Baptist, No. 45016, Div. B, Commissioner Stone asked that this be kept in public discussion until time to discuss the legal He felt the public should be made aware of what their concerns are. He then made that into a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Mouton! The motion passed with no opposition. Commissioner Stone stated about three years ago, approximately 65,000 acres of land was donated to the Department. Campers stayed on the property even though their leases had been taken away before the land was donated. The Department allowed those campers to stay on the property for one year and they began seeking other alternatives to stay. This situation has gotten very muddy and those people have gotten a stay order put on our order to move. Commissioner Stone then asked to see and have read the stay order, he would like to understand the cause for the stay order, and asked

if there was an end point. He then asked the Department to go forward with this situation with more vigor. Commissioner Stone felt if this problem unraveled, it would unravel every WMA the Department has, it would be unfair to the public and it would cause enforcement agents considerable difficulties. If there was a need to be ugly, Commissioner Stone felt it was time to be ugly since this was public land. He then asked for other comments and for Mr. Puckett to explain where the issue was and what the stay order means.

Commissioner Mouton stated he agreed with Commissioner Stone on the issue. This lawsuit has hurt some land donations since other donors are sitting back waiting to see the outcome. If strong action was not taken to resolve the problem, the Department may lose more land donations. Commissioner Mouton felt the State should be creating hunting opportunity and not taking it away.

Commissioner Stone stated another downsize to the delay, was the possibility of having a bill pass through the Legislature that would allow the camps to remain on site. Again, he stated there was an emergent feeling on this issue. Commissioner Stone asked Mr. Puckett to come talk to the Commission. Mr. Puckett stated Secretary Landreneau asked the Attorney General's Office to review the matter. Recently, word was received from the First Attorney General that their Office concurred with the Department on the Commission's policy to remove camps from WMAs. Having received that, a motion has been filed for a status conference and then have a trial on merits. The date for the status conference is Friday, November 12. Commissioner Stone asked if there was anything else that could be done to reach an end point? Mr. Puckett stated the end point would be the trial on the merits and the exhaustion of appeals. He hoped to have a trial date when the status conference was over Commissioner Stone asked for an update as things happened? Mr. Puckett stated he would not have anything to report at the November Meeting, but would at the December Meeting.

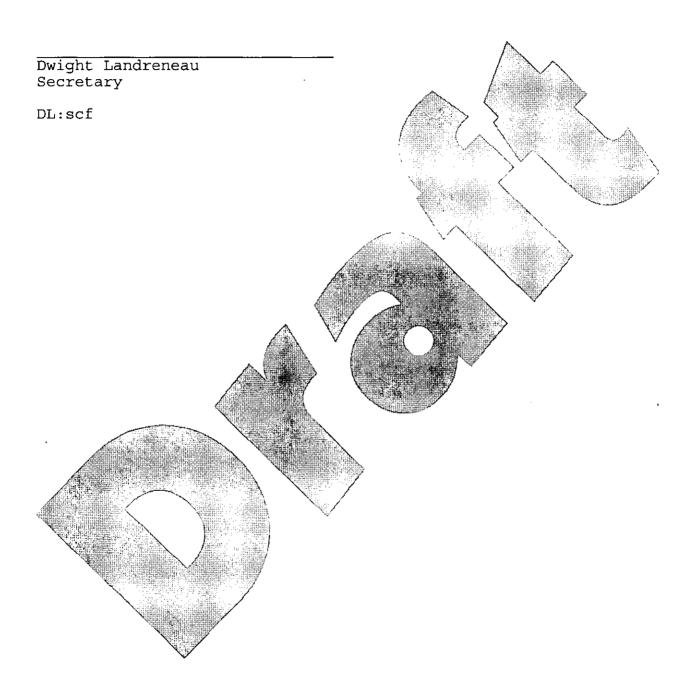
Mr. Randy Lanctot, Louisiana Wildlife Federation, stated the Louisiana Legislature supports the position of the Commission and Department on this issue. He added his organization also supports the two groups.

Commissioner Stone stated he wanted to let the public know the Commission was insisting on an end point within the near future. Hearing no further public comment, Vice-Chairman Sagrera asked for a motion to go into Executive Session. Commissioner Stone made that motion and it was seconded by Commissioner King. The motion passed with no opposition.

Reconvening from Executive Session, Commissioner Stone commented the Legal Section was pressing along quite readily with the lawsuit and they were pleased that it may end soon. He added that the

Executive Session did not change any of the previous policies regarding WMA campsites.

There being no further business, Commissioner Mouton made a motion to **Adjourn** the meeting and it was seconded by Commissioner Denmon.





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2theadvocate Outdoors

LWF endorses 'freedom' amendment to constitution By JOE MACALUSO

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After its attorney said a years-long problem with the language in the bill was worked out, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission unanimously endorsed a state constitutional amendment that guarantees Louisianians the "Freedom to Hunt, Fish and Trap."

The amendment will appear on the Nov. 2 ballot as Proposition 1.

"We worked with the author of the bill (Sen. Joe McPherson, D-Woodworth) for three years and we've addressed the foreseeable concerns," Department of Wildlife and Fisheries attorney Don Puckett told the commission at its monthly meeting Thursday. "The only (change) we proposed was that the language of the bill make the Commission the sole agency to regulate hunting and fishing in the state."

Randy Lanctot, the Louisiana Wildlife Federation's executive director, asked the LWFC for its endorsement. The LWF was a driving force behind the move.

"This (amendment) reinforces the powers of the Commission's power and authority. We did everything we could do to satisfy concerns in this amendment," Lanctot said

Proponents view the amendment as a preemptive strike against anti-hunting and anti-fishing movements.

The only other major agenda item considered involved a suit filed by St. John the Baptist Parish against the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries about private camps remaining on the LDWF's Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

Commission member Dr. Jerry Stone of Baton Rouge said the leases for what were long-standing private camps/hunting clubs leases were revoked by the Mellon Foundation when the latter donated the 65,000 acres between Baton



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"They (clubs) were allowed to stay on the land for one year, and we received a stay order from the courts that's allowed them to remain on the land," Stone said. "We've never seen the stay order, the course of the stay order and don't know the end-point of the suit."

LDWF regulations require all private camps be removed from WMAs.

Stone said the LWFC asked the attorney general's office for an opinion, but none has come in the year since the request.

"We've been very nice (to the camp owners) to this point, and now is the time to be something other than nice," Stone said.

Puckett the case is proceeding to a Nov. 12 pre-trial status conference.

The LWFC went into executive session for Puckett to advise the commission about particular legal matters of the suit.

In other action, LWFC member Henry Mouton proposed that, beginning in January, the monthly meetings start at 9:30 a.m. rather than the customary 10 a.m.

The commission learned that the LDWF Enforcement Division issued 1,383 citations and 436 written warnings in September. Agents were in the field during the first split of the dove season and the special nine-day teal season and issued 72 citations for hunting migratory birds over bait, another 13 for overthe-limit doves or teal and 111 for other migratory bird violations.

The LWFC also set its February meeting for Feb. 3 in Baton Rouge.

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COMMISSION MEETING ROLL CALL

Thursday, October 7, 2004

Baton Rouge, LA
Wildlife and Fisheries Building

	Attended	Absent
Bill Busbice (Chairman)		<u> </u>
Terry Denmon		_
Wayne Sagrera	\checkmark	
Jerry Stone	\checkmark	<u></u>
Henry Mouton	\checkmark	
Earl King		
Bobby Samanie	\checkmark	

Mr. Chairman:

There are _____ Commissioners in attendance and we have a quorum.

Secretary Landreneau is also present.

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LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION BATON ROUGE, LA

October 7, 2004 10:00 AM

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- 7. Recap of Statewide National Hunting and Fishing Day Events Marianne Burke
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- WHEREAS, a constitutional amendment proposing to preserve the "Freedom to Hunt, Fish and Trap" for all citizens of Louisiana will be on the general election ballot on November 2, 2004, and
- WHEREAS, the proposed constitutional amendment is based on the premise that hunting, fishing and trapping are fundamental to citizenship in Louisiana and that these activities were and are understood by both founding and current generations of Louisianans as intrinsic to life in the "Sportsman's Paradise", and
- WHEREAS, adding Freedom to Hunt, Fish and Trap to the Louisiana Constitution will be a confirmation of Louisiana's rich wildlife conservation heritage and, most importantly, help to fend off threats to that heritage by antihunting/fishing factions and well-intentioned but misinformed segments of the public, and
- specifically, the amendment proposes to add Section 27 to WHEREAS, Article I of the Louisiana Constitution stating: "The freedom to hunt, fish and trap wildlife, including all aquatic life, traditionally taken by hunters, trappers and anglers, is a valued natural heritage that shall be forever preserved for the people. Hunting, fishing and trapping shall be managed by law and regulation consistent with Article IX, Section 1 of the Constitution of Louisiana to protect, conserve and replenish the natural resources of the state. The provisions of this section shall not alter the burden of proof requirements otherwise established by law for any challenge to a law or regulation relating to hunting, fishing or trapping the wildlife of the state, including all aquatic life. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to authorize the use of private property to hunt, fish or trap without the consent of the owner of the property.", and
- WHEREAS, the language of the proposed Constitutional Amendment is consistent with the authority and responsibility of the Legislature and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to protect, conserve and manage the fish and wildlife resources of the state and provides that the right to hunt/fish/trap be managed by law and regulation

consistent with the State's public trust responsibilities as articulated in Article 9, Section 1 of the Louisiana Constitution and interpretive jurisprudence, and

WHEREAS, the language of the proposed amendment reaffirms the right of property owners to restrict and control access to their property for hunting, fishing or trapping purposes and it will protect the right of landowners to authorize and engage in these activities on their own property, and

WHEREAS, adding Freedom to Hunt, Fish and Trap to the Louisiana Constitution will serve to preempt special interests from attempting to take away these freedoms as they have in so many other states where resource utilization has been challenged, and in some cases curtailed, contrary to sound, science-based fish and wildlife management principles, and

WHEREAS, seven states, the most recent being Wisconsin in April of 2003, have included language in their constitutions to preserve the freedom to hunt, fish and trap and similar proposals are pending in 8 other states besides Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment, if adopted, will serve to fend off attempts through emotional and zealous appeals, aimed at influencing a populace that is becoming ever more isolated from the production of the food it eats and the skills and traditions that built our society, to curtail the many traditional hunting/fishing/trapping activities enjoyed by Louisiana citizens and which were understood as a fundamental right by the immigrants who first settled our Nation, fleeing from tyrannical governments to find freedom in America.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby endorse and support adoption of the proposed Freedom to Hunt, Fish and Trap amendment to the Louisiana Constitution that will be on the ballot of the November 2, 2004 general election.

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FISH, AND TRAP FAQS

What does "Freedom to Hunt, Fish and Trap" do?

✓ Confirms by provision in the state's greatest document, the Louisiana Constitution, the right that Louisiana hunters, anglers and trappers believe they have, or should have.

✓ Confirms that the freedom to hunt, fish and trap is an inherent right of citizenship and that the authority to limit that right for the common good is conveyed by the citizens to government, with the government accountable to the citizens.

✓ Preempts the prohibition of hunting, fishing and trapping, except as required to meet the obligation to protect, conserve and replenish the natural resources of the state pursuant to Article 9, Section 1 of the Louisiana Constitution.

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✓ Reminds lawmakers and regulators of the importance of this heritage and their obligation to respect and protect it.

√ Reinforces Louisiana's rich hunting, fishing and trapping heritage.

Will "Freedom to Hunt, Fish & Trap" permit hunting/fishing/trapping activities on private property without permission?

No. The language of the proposed amendment reaffirms the right of property owners to restrict and control access to their property for hunting fishing or trapping purposes.

Will "Freedom to Hunt, Fish & Trap" give a person the right to break wildlife and fisheries laws and regulations without consequences?

No. The language of the proposed amendment provides that the right to hunt/fish/trap be managed by law and regulation consistent with the State's obligation to protect, conserve, and replenish the State's natural resources.

Will "Freedom to Hunt, Fish & Trap" prevent the State from taking away the right to hunt/fish/trap for cause or as a penalty for violation of the law?

No. Similar to the freedom of speech, the right to vote and the right to own firearms, the freedom to hunt/fish/trap cannot be exercised in such a way as to infringe the basic rights of others. Freedom of speech does not permit the inciting of a riot or a life threatening situation by the use of frightening or abusive language; firearms cannot be carried into certain establishments or concealed without a permit, and convicted felons cannot vote or possess firearms, even though both the US and Louisiana constitutions give citizens the right to bear arms. Thankfully, the constitution does prevent government from taking away the right of law-abiding citizens to express an opinion, own and lawfully use a firearm, or vote.

"Freedom to Hunt, Fish and Trap" in the Declaration of Rights of the Louisiana Constitution a good idea?

Therefore Louisiana citizens are more subject than ever to ignoring that relationship and supporting and its relationship to the land and to wild nature. efforts to prohibit hunting, fishing and trapping activities that are practiced by a diminishing The population of the state is increasingly urban and detached from the reality of food production, proportion of citizens.

Is this a Louisiana idea?

for Louisiana with an additional 8 states taking No. At least 7 other states have a provision in such amendments under consideration through their constitution similar to what is being proposed their respective processes. The closest state that has such a provision in its constitution is Alabama and the latest to add such a provision is Wisconsin.

Who is supporting the "Freedom to Hunt, Fish and Trap?"

The amendment has been officially endorsed by the NRA, Louisiana Wildlife Federation, East Louisiana Association of Professional Biologists, National Taxidermist's Association, Safari Club Central Louisiana Chapter, SCI, Jefferson Rod and Gun Club, Westlake Hunting Club, Baton Rouge Sportsmen's League, Louisiana Trappers and Alligator Hunters Association and several other Ascension Sportsman's League, Delta Waterfowl, international, Recreational Fishing Alliance, Conservation Force, Iberia Rod and Gun Club, endorsements are expected prior conservation organizations. November 2, 2004 election.

What are the threats that make including



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Freedom to Hunt, Fish and Trap

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"To guarantee the right of and trap, subject to every citizen to hunt, fish regulation, restriction, or prohibition as provided by law. (ADDS Article I, Section 27)"

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date

s/president or other chief officer

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the

ENFORCEMENT CASE REPORT SEPTEMBER, 2004

REGION 1: MINDEN

PARISHES: BIENVILLE, BOSSIER,

CADDO, CLAIBORNE, WEBSTER, RED RIVER,

DESOTO

TOTAL CASES	64
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
5	Boating Safety
11	Angling W/O Resident License
8	Fish W/O Resident Pole License
1	Take Illegal Size Black Bass
3	Transport W/O Required License (Non-Resident)
5	Hunting W/O Resident License
3	Hunting W/O License - Non-Resident
1	Violate Migratory Bird Treaty Act
7	Hunting MGB Over Baited Area
3	Hunting And/Or Possession Ducks Other Than Teal During Teal Season
2	Violate MGB Tagging Requirements
1	Violate Non-Toxic Shot Requirements
5	Possession Over Limit Doves (Field Possession)
5	Taking Or Possession Other Non-Game Birds – No Season
1	Not Abiding By Rules And& Regulations On WMA
3	Littering

WRITTEN WARNINGS:

TOTAL	6	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION	
2		Boating Safety	
4		Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations On WMA	

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION

176 Doves (Donated); 1 Red Tailed Hawk (Being Held For Evidence); 1 Black Bass (Donated); 2 Woodduck Drakes (Being Held For Evidence); 4 Cattle Egrets (Being Held For Evidence); 8-12 Ga. Shotgun Shells (Being Held For Evidence); 1 Cormorant (Being Held For Evidence); 1 American Egret (Being Held For Evidence); 1 Barn Swallow (Being Held For Evidence)

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 1:

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
5	Boating
3	Commercial Fishing
24	Federal Migratory
3	Littering
1	Miscellaneous
20	Recreational Fishing
8	State Hunting/Trapping
6	Written Warnings
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TOTAL	DESCRIPTION	
1	Public Assistance	
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REGION 2: MONROE

PARISHES: E. CARROLL, JACKSON, LINCOLN, MOREHOUSE,

OUACHITA, RICHALND, UNION, W. CARROLL

TOTAL CASES	132
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
38	Boating
30	Angle Without A Resident License
1	Angle Without A Non-Resident License
5	Fish Without License
1	Operate ATV On Public Road
3	Hunt Without A Resident License
1	Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations On WMA
5	Hunt With An Unplugged Gun
5	Littering
2	Wanton Waste
5	Take Other Than Teal During Teal Season
4	Hunt MGB Without A State Migratory License
1	Hunt Squirrel Closed Season
1	Obtain License By Fraud
1	Operate A Vessel While Intoxicated
1	Operate A Motor Vehicle While Intoxicated

1	Negligent Injury
1	Driving On Levee
14	Hunt MGB Over Baited Area (Doves)
2	Aiding And Abetting –Baiting For Doves
1	Take Over The Limit Of Game Fish (Bass)
1	Refusal For Chemical Test
1	Violate MGB Treaty Act (Take Ibis – No Season)
2	Illegal Possession Of Marijuana
1	Driving Under Suspension
1	Failure To Register A Motor Vehicle
1	No Vehicle Insurance
1	Expired Inspection Sticker
1	Violate Open Container Law

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
4	Expired Boat Registration Certificate
2	Improper Boat Numbers
7	Angle Without A License
2	Hunt Without A Resident License
2	Failure TO Comply With PFD Requirements (No Throwable)

1	No Fire Extinguisher

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION

1-Ibis; 1-Recreational Fishing License; 1- Squirrel; 1-Wood Duck; 1-Blue-Winged Teal; 21- Black Bass; 72- Doves

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 2:

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
40	Boating
-0-	Commercial Fishing
24	Federal Migratory
5	Littering
11	Miscellaneous
38	Recreational Fishing
14	State Hunting/Trapping
18	Written Warnings

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
12	Public Assistance
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REGION 3: ALEXANDRIA

PARISHES: AVOYELLES, GRANT,

NATCHITOCHES, RAPIDES, SABINE, VERNON, WINN

TOTAL CASES	153
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
25	Boating
19	Angling W/O A License
4	Angling W/O A Non-Resident License
4	Fish W/O Resident Pole License
1	Take Illegal Size Black Bass
1	Transport W/O Required License
1	Restaurant Buy Fish From Other Than Wholesale/Retail Seafood Dealer
1	Sell Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealers License
1	Taking Grobec – No Season
2	Hunt Squirrel Closed Season
1	Take/Possess Spotted Fawn
6	Hunting W/O Resident License
2	Hunt W/O Non-Resident License
2	Take Over Limit Of Doves
1	Violate MGB Tagging Requirement
1	Hunt MGB With Unplugged Gun

Hunt MGB Over Baited Area
Hunt Raccoons Illegally
Hunt W/O Resident Big Game License
Hunt Or Take Deer Closed Season
Take Deer Illegal Hours
Take Other Than Game Birds - No Season
Hunt On WMA W/O WMA Hunting Permit
Hunt MGB From A Moving Vehicle
Possess Ducks Other Than Teal During Teal Season
Not Abiding By WMA Rules & Regulations
Littering
Criminal Trespass
Operate ATV On Public Road
Contributing To The Delinquency Of A Juvenile
Simple Possession Of Marijuana
Possession Of Alcohol Underage
Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia
Disturbing The Peace
Resisting An Officer
Flight From An Officer

1	Illegal Possession Of Marijuana	
1	Possession Of Firearm By Convicted Felon	
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TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION	
5	Possess Undersize Freshwater Game Fish	
1	Improper Running Lights	
3	Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations	

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION

2 Squirrels, 1 Fawn, 1 Deer, 45 Doves, 4 Teal, 1 Mallard, 1 Shotgun, 1 Rifle, 600 Marijuana Plants, 2 Bags Of Marijuana.

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 3:

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
25	Boating
3	Commercial Fishing
21	Federal Migratory
9	Littering
28	Miscellaneous
28	Recreational Fishing

39	State Hunting/Trapping	
9	Written Warnings	

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION	
5	Public Assistance	

REGION 4: FERRIDAY

PARISHES: CALDWELL, CATAHOULA, CONCORDIA, FRANKLLIN, LASALLE, MADISON, TENSAS

TOTAL CASES	60
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
3	Boating Safety Violations
10	Angling W/O A License
2	Angling W/O A Non Resident License
2	Fish W/O Resident Pole License
6	Hunting W/O Resident License
2	Hunting W/O Non-Resident License
1	Hunting W/Unplugged Gun
1	Hunt MGB W/O State Migratory License
1	Hunt Squirrel Closed Season
1	Possess Spotted Fawn
1	Failure To Tag Alligator Upon Taking
1	Take Alligators From Other Than Approved Area (Not Where Tags Were Issued For)
1	Take Alligators W/O License
5	Violate Migratory Bird Treaty Act
1	Hunting With Unsigned Duck Stamp
2	Hunting MGB With Unplugged Gun

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2	Hunting And/Or Possess Ducks Other Than Teal During Teal Season
1	Hunt MGB From A Vehicle
1	Taking Other Non-Game Birds – No Season
1	Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations On WMA
3	Hunt On WMA Without WMA Hunting Permit
1	Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated
4	Intentional Littering
1	Obtain License By Fraud
1	Principal To Alligator Violation
1	Interstate Commerce Violation

TOTAL 2	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION	
1	Boating Safety Violation	
1	Hunt W/O Resident License (In Possession)	

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION	
2 Rod And Reels; 1 Alligator; 8 Doves; 1 Egret; 2 Ducks; 3 Squirrels; 1 Fawn	

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 4:

Boating
Commercial Fishing
Federal Migratory
Littering
Miscellaneous
Recreational Fishing
State Hunting/Trapping
Written Warnings

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION	
7	Public Assistance	

REGION 5: LAKE CHARLES

PARISHES: BEAUREGARD, CALCASIEU,

EVANGELINE, ALLEN, CAMERON, ACADIA, VERMILION, JEFF DAVIS

TOTAL CASES	157
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
31	Boating
35	Angling W/O A License
8	Angling W/O A License - Non. Res.
1	Violate Recreational Gear Lic. Requirements
1	Angling W/O Saltwater License
2	Take Or Poss. Reddrum In EEZ Less Than 21"
2	Take Or Poss. Undersize Reddrum (Rec)
2	Take Or Poss. Undersize Spotted Sea Trout (Rec)
11	Take Or Poss. Undersize Blackdrum (Rec)
2	Comm. Rules And Regulations Sharks (Undersize)
2	Comm. Rules And Regulations Red Snapper (Rec. – Undersize)
1	Comm. Rules And Regulations Spanish Mackerel (Rec. – Undersize)
3	Take Or Poss. Overlimit Blackdrum (Rec)
3	Fail To Have Comm. License In Poss.
2	Poss. Or Sell Undersize Crabs 10% To 19%

1	Use Crabs Traps W/O Required Markings
1	Poss. Over 20% Undersize Crabs
4	Take Or Poss. Undersize White Shrimp
3	Hunting W/O Resident License
4	Hntg. W/Unplugged Gun Or Silencer
1	Hntg. Squirrels Closed Season
2	Hunt Or Take Deer Closed Season
1	Take Or Poss. Alligators Closed Season
1	Fail To Tag Alligator Upon Taking
1	Hntg. Ducks Or Geese W/O Federal Stamp
17	Hntg. MGB Over Baited Area Or By Aid Of Baiting
1	Taking Herons No Season
1	Taking Cranes No Season
3	Littering
4	Not Abiding By Rules and Regulations On WMA
4	Other Than Wildlife And Fisheries
1	Operate ATV Vehicle On Public Road
1	Miscellaneous Federal Violations

DESCRIPTION OF CITATION	
Angling W/O A License	
Angling W/O A License – Non. Res.	
Expired Boat Registration Certificate	
Failure To Comply W/PFD Req.	<u></u>
Improper Or No Fire Extinguisher	
	Angling W/O A License Angling W/O A License – Non. Res. Expired Boat Registration Certificate Failure To Comply W/PFD Req.

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION

7 Rods; 7 Reels; 1 Cast Net; 2 Crab Traps; 1 Crate Of Crabs RTW; 2 Bull Sharks; 2 Almaco Jack; 1 Trigger Fish; 1 Mangrove Snapper; 5 U/S Speckled Trout; 48 U/S Blackdrum; 6 U/S Red Snapper; 2 U/S Spanish Mackerel; 2 Reddrum Destroyed; 1 Bream RTW; Commercial Receipt Forms; 15 Lbs. Of Shrimp Held As Evidence; 250 Lbs. U/S Shrimp Sold For \$62.50; 1 Alligator Tail Sold For \$279.00; 1 White Crane; 1 White Heron; 78 Doves; 1 Aluminum Boat Seized On Paper; Littering Debris Consisting Of Personal Receipts, Credit Cards Receipts, Telephone Bills; 2 Compound Bows; Wheat Samples, Millet Samples; Seed Sack Papers; Shotgun Shell Wads

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 5:

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
31	Boating
11	Commercial Fishing
21	Federal Migratory
3	Littering
5	Miscellaneous
70	Recreational Fishing

12	State Hunting/Trapping	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
4	Wildlife Management	
8	Warnings	

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION			
5	Public Assistance			

REGION 6: OPELOUSAS

PARISHES: IBERIA, IBERVILLE, PT.COUPEE, LAFAYETTE, ST. LANDRY, ST. MARTIN, W.B.R.

	W.B.R.
TOTAL CASES	187
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
31	Boating
75	Angling W/O License
14	Angling W/O Pole License
5	Angling W/O Non-Resident License
2	Hunt MGB With Unplugged Gun
4	Hunt MGB From A Vehicle
6	Hunt MGB Over Baited Area
9	Hunt MGB Illegal Hours
12	Hunt W/O Resident License
1	Hunt W/O Non-Resident License
4	Take Illegal Size Black Bass
1	Take/Possess Commercial Fish W/O Vessel License
1	Hunt WMA W/O WMA Hunting Permit
2	Hunt With Unplugged Gun
3	Take/Possession of Other Non-Game Birds
2	Possess Over Limit of Doves

2	Blocking Passage Of Fish
2	Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Gear License
1	Hunt Ducks W/O Federal Duck Stamp
3	Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale Retail Dealers License
1	Fail To Maintain Records
2	Intentional Littering
1	Not Abiding By Rules/Regulations On WMA
1	Hunt Rabbits Closed Season
1	Possession Of Live Alligators W/O Permit
1	Misrepresentation During Issuance Of Misdemeanor

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION	
8	Boating	
131	Not Abiding By Rules/Regulations On WMA	
13	Angling W/O License	
49	Use WMA W/O License Or Stamp	
3	Take Illegal Size Black Bass	
3	Hunt On WMA W/O WMA Hunting Permit	
1	Angling W/O Non-Resident License	
1	Hunt W/O Resident License	

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION

9 Cattle Egrets, 1 White Egret, 4 Shotguns, 3 Rod and Reels, 6 Black Bass, 132 Lbs. Shrimp, 3 Ice Chests, Check Totaling \$135.30, 38 Doves, 2 Samples of Milo/Corn, 2 Paper Sacks of Recleaned Yellow Milo, 6 Spent Shotgun Shells, 6 Alligators

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 6:

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onal Fishing
nting/Trapping
Warnings

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION	
5	Public Assistance	

REGION 7: BATON ROUGE

PARISHES: ASCENSION, E.B. ROUGE,

E. FELICIANA, LIVINGSTON ST. HELENA, ST. TAMMANY, TANGIPAHOA, WASHINGTON,

W. FELICIANA

TOTAL CASES	101
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
43	Boating (2-DWI's)
22	Angling Without Basic Resident License
5	Angling Without Non-Resident License
1	Sell Fish Without Wholesale Retail Dealers License
1	Sell Fish Without Retail License
2	Hunting Without Basic Resident License
4	Hunting Migratory Game Birds With An Un-Plugged Gun
1	Possession Of Other Non-Game Birds (No Season)
2	Take Other Non-Game Birds (No Season)
1	Take Ducks Other Than Teal During Teal Season
4	Hunt Doves Over Bait
2	Possession Over Limit Of Doves
4	Hunt Without WMA Stamp
2	Possess Spotted Fawn
1	Take Spotted Fawn

6	Littering			

DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
Boating
Angling Without Resident License
No Self Clearing Permit
No WMA Stamp

CONFISCATIONS:

	CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION	
2—Egrets 2—Spotted Fawns (Live) 55—Doves (Donated)		

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 7:

TOTAL 125	DESCRIPTION	
43	Boating	
2	Commercial Fishing	
14	Federal Migratory	
6	Littering	
-	Miscellaneous	
27	Recreational Fishing	
9	State Hunting/Trapping	

24	Written Warnings	\Box
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TOTAL 12	DESCRIPTION
	Public Assistance
	9-Assist Motorists
	2-Assist Boaters
	1-Put Out Fire At Residence

REGION 8: NEW ORLEANS

PARISHES: PLAQUEMINES, ST. BERNARD, ORLEANS, JEFFERSON, ST. CHARLES

	ST. CHARLES
TOTAL CASES	319
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
47	Boating
99	Angling W/O A License
14	Angling W/O A License Non-Resident
11	Angling W/O Saltwater License
2	Angling W/O Saltwater License. Non-Resident
2	Take Or Poss. Game Fish Illegally
1	Take /Poss. O/L Red Drum (On Water)
6	Poss. O/L Of Red Drum In Excess of 27" (Recreational)
2	Fail To have Fish Intact (Saltwater)
2	Take Or Poss. Undersized Red Drum (Recreational) 16" Minimum
10	Take Or Poss. Undersized Spotted Sea Trout(Recreational)
1	Take Or Poss. Undersized Black Drum
1	Commission Rules And Regulations Red Snapper
1	Commission Rules And Regulations (Misc.) Snapper
1	Commission Rules And Regulations - Cobia
1	Commission Rules And Regulations - Tuna

1	Not Abiding By Commission Rules (Rec.) - Fin fish
1	CML Fisherman Sell To Consumer Without A Fresh Products License
3	Take Or Poss. Commercial Fish W/O Vessel License
1	Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's License
2	Fail To Maintain Records
1	Sell And/Or Buy Fish Without A Retail Seafood Dealers License
2	Destroy Legal Crab Traps
2	Fail To Report Commercial Fisheries Data
1	Theft Of Crab Traps
2	Trawling In Closed Season (Inside Waters)
6	Use Skimmers In Closed Season
6	Failure To Have Written Permission
19	Unlawfully Take Oysters From State Water Bottoms
7	Unlawfully Take Oysters Off A Private Lease
1	Violate Sanitation Code (Log Book)
1	Violate Sanitation Code (Vessel Sanitation Req.)
3	Possession Of Live Alligators W/O Permit
2	Hunting Ducks W/O Federal Stamp
2	Hunting With Unsigned Duck Stamp
1	Hunting MGB Illegal Hours

7	Hunting MGB Over Baited Area Or By The Aid of Baiting
5	Hunting And/Or Possess Ducks Other /Than Teal During Teal Season
2	Hunting MGB From Moving Motorboat
2	Transport Completely Dressed MGB (No Fully Feathered Wing Or Head Left On)
1	Violate Non-Toxic Shot Requirement
1	Take/Possess Over Limit Of Ducks (Field Possession)
2	Hunt MGB Without State Migratory License
3	Hunt MGB Without State Hunting License
4	Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations On WMA
7	Criminal Trespass
2	Operating A Vessel While Intoxicated
2	Littering
3	Possess/Take Undersize Federal Controlled Fish
1	Flight From An Officer
3	Take Federal Controlled Fish In Closed Season
1	Misrepresentation During Issuance Of Misdemeanor Summons
1	Reckless Operation Of A Vehicle
7	Miscellaneous Federal Violations

TOTAL 82	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
26	Boating
20	Angling W/O A License
2	Angling W/O A License Non-Resident
1	Violate Recreational Gear License Requirement
1	Angling W/O Saltwater License
1	Angling W/O Saltwater License Non-Resident
1	Taking/Poss. Over Limit Or Undersized Freshwater Fish
2	Take/Poss. O/L Red Drum(On Water)
4	Take Or Poss. Undersized Red Drum(Recreational) 16" Minimum
9	Take Or Poss. Undersized Spotted Sea Trout
7	Take Or Poss. Undersized Black Drum
2	Commission Rules And Regulations Red Snapper
3	Commission Rules And Regulations. (Misc.) Snapper
1	Sell Fish Caught Recreationally
2	Failure To Display Proper Number On Vessel

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION

Sold @ Bid.....22 Pounds Shrimp Sold @\$27.50; Donated.....Speckled Trout(50).....Red Snapper (48).....Mangrove Snapper(2).....Red Drum(40).....Black Drum(3) Cobia(1)Tuna(2) Spanish Mackerel(5).....Bass(2).....Perch(2).....Tuna Fillets(41 Lbs.).....Fish Fillets(4 Lbs.) Crabs(650 Lbs.).....Oysters(196 Sacks).....Shrimp(75 Lbs.)Alligator(8) Teal(9)Mottled Duck(5).....Duck Breasts(4); Hardware Confiscated.....Dredges(6) Skimmer Nets(6).....Crab Traps(1).....Rod And Reels(14)

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 8:

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
47	Boating
55	Commercial Fishing
28	Federal Migratory
2	Littering
28	Miscellaneous
156	Recreational Fishing
3	State Hunting/Trapping
82	Written Warnings

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION	
11	Public Assistance	

REGION 9: SCHRIEVER

PARISHES: ASSUMPTION, ST. JAMES,

ST. JOHN, ST. MARY, TERREBONNE, LAFOURCHE,

JEFFERSON-GRAND ISLE,

LOWER ST. MARTIN

TOTAL CASES	210
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
40	Boating
41	Angling Without A License
2	Angling Without A Non-Resident License
3	Fish Without A Resident Pole License
1	Violate Recreational Gear License Requirement
12	Angling Without Saltwater License
2	Angling Without Non-Resident Saltwater License
7	Take Game Fish Illegally (Bowfin Or Choupique)
2	Take Over Limit Of Red Drum On Water
1	Take Illegal Size Black Bass
3	Take Undersized Red Drum Recreational
5	Take Undersized Black Drum Recreational
1	Commission Rules And Regulations Take Undersize Snapper Recreational
2	Commission Rules And Regulations Take Undersize Shark Recreational
2	Take Over Limit Black Drum Recreational

Fail To Have Commercial License In Possession
Take Commercial Fish Without Commercial License
Take Commercial Fish Without Commercial Oyster Tong Gear License
Take Commercial Fish Without Commercial Butterfly Net Gear License
Take Commercial Fish Without Commercial Crab Trap Gear License
Take Commercial Fish Without Vessel License
Illegal Possession Of Game Fish Red Drum
Blocking Passage Of Fish
Use Crab Traps Without Required Markings
Allow Another To Use Commercial License
Allow Unlicensed Fisherman To Use Vessel License
Allow Unlicensed Fisherman To Use CML Gear License
Tending Crab Traps Illegal Hours
Take Oysters Without Oyster Harvester License (Captains Only)
Fail To Comply With Stone Crab Requirements
Trawling Inside Waters With Oversized Double Rigs (Over 25 Feet)
Take Shrimp With Illegal Gear
Impede Navigation With Butterfly Nets
Leave Butterfly Nets Unattended

1	Failure To Have Written Permission
12	Take Oysters From Unapproved Area (Polluted)
1	Unlawfully Take Oysters Off A Private Lease
1	Hunt MGB Without State Stamp
4	Fail To Tag Alligator Upon Taking
2	Possession Of Live Alligators Without Permit
1	Hunting MGB With Unplugged Gun
3	Hunting And Possession Ducks Other Than Teal During Teal Season
2	Hunt On WMA Without WMA Hunting Permit
1	Operate ATV Vehicle On Public Road
2	Not Abiding By WMA Rules And Regulations (Alligator Regulations)
4	Not Abiding By WMA Rules And Regulations (After Hours)
1	Not Abiding By WMA Rules And Regulations (Using Skimmer Nets)
5	Not Abiding By WMA Rules And Regulations (Commercial Fishing)
1	Not Abiding By WMA Rules And Regulations (Loaded Gun In Moving Boat)
4	Littering
1	Obtain License By Fraud
2	Possession Of Alcohol By Persons Under 21 Years Of Age
1	Possess Over Limit Red Drum In Excess Of 27" Recreational
1	Hunting With Unplugged Gun

1	Use Illegal Butterfly Nets Extension
3	Possess Over Limit Of Gallinules

DESCRIPTION OF CITATION	
Boating	
Angling Without A License	
Fish Without Resident Pole License	
Angling Without Saltwater License	····
Hunt On WMA Without WMA Hunting Permit	
	Boating Angling Without A License Fish Without Resident Pole License Angling Without Saltwater License

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION

48 Stone Crabs; 1 Sheephead; 215 Lbs. Crabs; 291 Lbs. Shrimp; 2,181 Lbs. Shrimp Sold \$2,680.40; 42 Red Drum; 3 Black Bass; 216 Lbs. Black Drum Sold \$108.00; 31 Black Drum; 2 Mottled Ducks; 6 Teal; 1 Wood Duck; 8 Alligators; 75 Sacks Oysters; 13 Bowfins; 1 Bull Shark; 2 Doves; 2 Gray Snappers; 2 Speckled Trout; 1 Shark; 6 Boats And Motors; 2 Rods And Reels; 10 Oyster Dredges; 10 Skimmer Nets; 22 Cans Beer; 43 Alligator Tags; 102 Gallinules; 2 Butterfly Nets; 1 Shotgun; 1 Crab Trap; 5 Champagne Baskets; 4 Trawl Nets; 1 Resident Fishing License; 1 Driver's License; 1 Oyster Harvester Log Book; 1 Coke Bottle

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 9:

TOTAL 288	DESCRIPTION	
40	Boating	
57	Commercial Fishing	
7	Federal Migratory	
4	Littering	

4	Miscellaneous	
86	Recreational Fishing	
12	State Hunting/Trapping	
78	Written Warnings	

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION	
5	Public Assistance	

OYSTER STRIKE FORCE

COASTAL WATERS

TOTAL CASES	20
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
10	Take Oysters From An Unapproved Area (Polluted)
5	Unlawfully Take Oysters From A Private Lease
2	Failure To Have Written Permission
2	Unlawfully Take Oysters From State Water Bottoms
1	Angling Without A License

WRITTEN WARNINGS:

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
1	Expired Boat Registration Certificate

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION		
Of Oysters		
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TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR OSF:

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
0	Boating
19	Commercial Fishing

0	Federal Migratory	
0	Littering	
0	Miscellaneous	
1	Recreational Fishing	
0	State Hunting/Trapping	
1	Written Warnings	

TOTAL		DESCRIPTION	,
0	Public Assistance		

SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

STATEWIDE

TOTAL CASES	12
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
3	Fail To Maintain Records
1	Buy Fish From Unlicensed Non-Resident Dealer
1	Violation Of Sanitary Code (Oysters)
1	Buy/Sell Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's License
1	Buy/Sell Fish W/O Retail License
1	Intentional Littering
1	Hunt MGB Over Baited Area Or By Aid Of Baiting
1	Possess Over The Limit Doves (Field Possession)
1	Hunt MGB With Unplugged Gun
1	Hunt MGB With Unplugged Gun

WRITTEN WARNINGS:

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION	
1	Use WMA W/O Stamp	

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATIONS:		
CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION		
50 Lbs. Of Shrimp	(Donated), 15 Doves (Donated) And 2 Quarts And A ½ Pint Oysters	
Destroyed-Sanitary	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
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TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR SIU:

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
0	Boating
7	Commercial Fishing
3	Federal Migratory
1	Littering
0	Miscellaneous
0	Recreational Fishing
0	State Hunting/Trapping
1	Written Warnings

TOTAL		DESCRIPTION	
0	Public Assistance		

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COASTAL WATERS

DESCRIPTION OF CITATION		
Fail To Have Federal Shrimp Permit		
Take/Possess Comm. Fish W/O Vessel License		
Take Federal Controlled Fish C/S		
Take/Possess O/L Federal Controlled Fish		

WRITTEN WARNINGS:

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
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CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION

CONFISCATIONS:

2,338 Lbs. Red Snapper Sold @ \$5,845.00; 400 Lbs. Crabs Returned To Water

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR SWEP:

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION		
0	Boating		
12	Commercial Fishing		
0	Federal Migratory		

0.	Littering	
0	Miscellaneous	
0	Recreational Fishing	
0	State Hunting/Trapping	
0	Written Warnings	

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE:

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION	
0	Public Assistance	
	<u> </u>	

Note:

108 Boats Checked

91 Hours Ran

REFUGE PATROL

MARSH ISLAND, ROCKEFELLER, STATE WILDLIFE

DESCRIPTION OF CITATION					
Take Or Poss. Commercial Fish W/O Vessel License					
oating					
ot Abiding By Rules And Regulations On WMA					
se Illegal Trawl, Butterfly Nets, Seines Or Skimmers					
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WRITTEN WARNINGS:

DESCRIPTION OF CITATION	
Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations On WMA	
Take/Possess Undersized Spotted Sea Trout (Rec.)	 -
Expired Boat Registration Certificate	
Improper Or No Fire Extinguisher	
	Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations On WMA Take/Possess Undersized Spotted Sea Trout (Rec.) Expired Boat Registration Certificate

CONFISCATIONS:

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION

1 Shrimp Basket; 133 Pounds Shrimp Donated; 1 Crab Trap; 3 Crates Live Crabs RTW; 3 Blue Point Crabs RTW; 1 Ice Chest; 1 Shrimp Trawl; 33 Pounds Shrimp Sold For \$6.60

TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REFUGE PATROL:

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
3	Boating
2	Commercial Fishing
0	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
14	WMA - Refuges
0	Recreational Fishing
0	State Hunting/Trapping
8	Written Warnings

TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE:

TOTAL	DESCR	DESCRIPTION			
3	Public Assistance				

TOTAL CASES:	1,383	
WRITTEN WARNINGS:_	436	
WHITEN WARRINGS	430	
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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE: _	63	

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2004-320

WILDLIFE AGENT HELPS POLICE APPREHEND FLEEING SUSPECTS

On September 26, William King, 36, of Lake Cove and Jason Dupont, 24, of Oakdale were arrested by deputies from the Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office, assisted by Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Enforcement Sergeant Chris Cormier and officers from the Glenmora and McNary Police Departments. The arrests came after a lengthy, high-speed chase lasting for more than two hours and covering 98 miles through three parishes.

The incident began when DuPont's wife contacted the sheriff's office. She reported DuPont had tried to run her off the road. Rapides Parish Sheriff Deputies responded and a chase ensued. Glenmora and McNary Police officers and LDWF Sergeant Chris Cormier were contacted for assistance. During the chase, Sergeant Cormier set up a roadblock on a rural gravel road in the suspect's path. The suspects evaded Sergeant Cormier's roadblock, causing damage to his unit from rocks hitting his windshield. Sergeant Cormier was one of the officers involved in finally stopping Dupont and King. He assisted in the apprehension and detention of the suspects.

King was arrested for battery of a police officer; resisting an officer; resisting by violence, disturbing the peace, inciting a felony and simple escape.

DuPont was arrested for reckless operation, flight from an officer, resisting by violence, open container, no drivers license, running a stop light, improper lane usage, operating an unsafe vehicle, improper turning, failure to signal, no seat belt, driving left of center, failure to yield, improper parking and failure to yield to an emergency vehicle.

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2004-321

HUNTERS CITED FOR HUNTING DEER IN CLOSED SEASON ON WEST BAY W.M.A.

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Enforcement Division agents cited two men on September 25 for allegedly hunting deer during closed season on West Bay Wildlife Management Area in Allen Parish.

Ronald R. Ardoin, 53, of Iowa, and Mark A. Ardoin, 43, of Jennings were cited after agents encountered them hunting with bows and arrows on the WMA. They admitted to hunting deer, and two bows and 12 arrows were seized in connection with the violations. The archery season for deer was scheduled to open on West Bay WMA on October 1, 2004.

The penalty for hunting deer in closed season is a fine of up to \$950, jail for not more than 120 days, or both, plus court costs and forfeiture of any equipment seized in connection with the violation.

Participating in the case were Lieutenant Larry Breaux and Senior Agent Keith Aucoin.

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2004-322

WILDLIFE AGENTS USE PHOTO LINE-UPS TO APPREHEND SHRIMP PEDDLERS

Agents from the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Enforcement Division utilized photo lineups to apprehend three suspects accused of defrauding a woman during an August 30 shrimp purchase. The alleged theft occurred in Jefferson Davis Parish.

Harold L. Thibodeaux, 56, of Rayne was cited on September 14 for theft under \$300. In conjunction with the same incident, agents cited Colby L. Doucet, 19, of Rayne and Kenny J. Menard 32, of Rayne on September 15 for theft under \$300.

On August 30, agents began an investigation after receiving a complaint from the Jefferson Davis Parish Sheriff's Office concerning a woman who bought shrimp from door-to-door peddlers. The victim paid \$200 for 60 pounds of shrimp with heads on, and ended up with approximately 13.97 pounds of tails after the shrimp were deheaded. According to an LDWF biologist, the yield on 60 pounds of shrimp, once deheaded, should have been approximately 40.95 pounds of shrimp. The value of shrimp the victim was shorted was \$132.

Information revealed in an interview with the victim and her daughters led agents to Menard and his associates, Thibodeaux and Doucet. The victims identified the three from photo lineups. Working in conjunction with the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Office, the subjects were subsequently located and cited.

The penalty for crime of theft under \$300 is a fine of no more than \$500, jail for not more than six months, or both.

Officers participating in the case were Lieutenant Bobby Buatt, Senior Agent Aaron Monceaux, and Deputy Chad Carrier with the Jefferson Davis Parish Sheriff's Office.

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2004-323

FOUR CITED FOR TAKING UNDERSIZED WHITE SHRIMP

Four commercial fishermen have been cited by Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Enforcement Division agents for allegedly violating provisions pertaining to the count on white shrimp in two separate incidents in Cameron Parish.

Michael W. Daigle, 52, of Hackberry and A. J. Elkin, 69, of Lake Charles, were cited for taking and possessing undersized white shrimp on August 25 after enforcement agents boarded the fishing vessel "Southern Comfort" which was engaged in trawling in the Calcasieu Ship Channel. Undersized white shrimp were found on board. Samples of the catch were weighed and counted to determine the total number of white shrimp per pound. The results revealed an average count of 150 white shrimp to the pound. A total of 215 pounds of shrimp were seized and sold for \$43.00, to be held on account pending disposition of the case.

Randall K. Richard, 43, and Ronald T. Truxillo, 57, both of Sulphur, were cited for taking and possessing undersized white shrimp on September 21 after agents boarded the "Daddy Rabbit," trawling in the Calcasieu Ship Channel. The count on shrimp aboard this vessel was 135 white—shrimp per pound. A total of 250 pounds of white shrimp valued at \$62.50 were seized and sold.

It is illegal to take or possess white shrimp smaller than 100 per pound in Louisiana waters. This size restriction applies to taking or possessing white shrimp aboard a vessel, except during the period from October 15 through the third Monday in December when there shall be no possession count on saltwater white shrimp taken or possessed.

Taking or possessing undersized white shrimp carries a penalty of up to \$500 in fines, no more than 90 days in jail, or both, plus court costs and forfeiture of anything seized.

Agents participating in the cases were Lieutenant Jesse Savoie, Sergeant David Liles, Senior Agents Keith Aucoin, Scott Fontenot, Steven Vidrine, and Joey James, and Cadet Wendel Vaughn.

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ENFORCEMENT AVIATION REPORT SEPTEMBER 2004

185 - Amph. - 61092 Hrs. - 37.9 185 - Amph. - 1322R Hrs. - 31.9 210 - 9467Y Hrs. - 23.6

Enforcement Hours - 57.8

Other Division - 35.6

Total Plane Use - 93.4

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Falcon, Susan

From:

Gresham, Thomas

Sent:

Tuesday, September 07, 2004 2:45 PM

To:

Falcon, Susan

Subject:

FW: Honorable LWF Commissioners

Would you pass this on to the commissioners, please?

Thanks, Thomas

From:

KBSonnier@aol.com

Sent:

Tuesday, September 7, 2004 2:13 PM

To: Subject: tgresham@wlf.louisiana.gov Honorable LWF Commissioners

Honorable LWF Commissioners,

I just wanted to take a moment to thank you all for returning the portion of Allen parish that had been changed to Area 8 back to Area 2.. I am a lifelong resident of Louisiana and grew up in Elizabeth La. For as long as I can remember squirrel season started on the first Saturday in October. This was, and is, a special time for many members of my family as well as many others in the area. A time when you could take your young kids camping and hunting squirrels in the creek bottoms and mixed pine forest.. But the past few years it has been a bit of a conflict for some between taking your kids to hunt squtials..as area 8 deer season started the first Saturday in Oct. for Mussel loader and the second Saturday for regular gun season.

Those weeks between the start of squirrel season and deer season are a very important time for fathers and son.. The low pressure relaxing hunts for squirrel are some of my best memories of my youth.. Now when DEER season starts all that goes by the wayside in favor of the intense pursuit of deer.

So if you please, keep us in area 2 in the future.. The early start of deer season is not worth giving up the slower pace of a few weeks of squirrel hunting and the family opportunities that it provides.

Please pass this on to the other commissioners that do not provide Email Addresses.

Thanks, Blake Sonnier 337-855-2402

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PERIOD	NO. CASES ASSESSED	AMOUNT ASSESSED	CREDIT FOR SALE GOODS	NO. CASES PAID	AMOUNT PAID	DISCOUNTS TAKEN	PERCENT DOLLARS PAID	PERCENT CASES PAID
FISCAL YEAR 19		1.000000	D.I.I.I. COODD					
July, 1993	25	\$21,039.00	(\$9,778.00)	29	\$4,855.00	\$2,545.00		
Aug., 1993	53	\$44,922.00	(\$1,137.00)	41	\$7,950.00	\$3,603.00		
Sept., 1993	42	\$137,635.00	(\$17,938.00)	35	\$6,783.00	\$3,048.00		
Oct., 1993	49	\$21,471.00	(\$11,282.00)	40	\$3,285.00	\$1,519.00	•	
Nov., 1993	57	\$31,207.00	(\$13,260.00)	32	\$3,053.00	\$2,845.00		
Dec., 1993	53	\$13,777.00	(ψ13,200.00)	27	\$6,507.00	\$6,713.00		
Jan., 1994	38	\$18,918.00		32	\$4,423.00	\$2,831.00		
,	68	\$38,131.00	(\$0.220.00\	46	\$9,124.00	\$5,993.00		
Feb., 1994	38		(\$8,238.00) (\$2,482.00)	51	\$10,854.00	\$6,796.00		
Mar., 1994		\$22,739.00	,					
April, 1994	14	\$44,732.00	(\$1,404.00)	27	\$7,307.00	\$4,632.00		
May, 1994	10	\$4,504.00	(\$165.00)	7	\$5,447.00	\$3,808.00		
June, 1994	29	\$26,167.00	(\$2,986.00)	12	\$1,886.00	\$1,214.00		
Total FY 1994	476	\$425,242.00	(\$68,670.00)	379	\$71,474.00	\$45,547.00	27.5%	79.6%
FISCAL YEAR 19	94-95							
July, 1994	17	\$2,127.00	(\$335.00)	23	\$2,101.00	\$1,437.00		
Aug., 1994	41	\$96,403.00	(\$3,035.00)	20	\$1,010.00	\$605.00		
Sept., 1994	34	\$14,614.00	(\$14,002.00)	26	\$2,596.00	\$2,342.00		
Oct., 1994	94	\$17,426.00	(\$8,677.00)	38	\$2,922.00	\$3,179.00		
Nov., 1994	43	\$103,592.00	, , ,	45	\$3,992.00	\$2,803.00		
Dec., 1994	68	\$31,400.00		35	\$4,315.00	\$2,329.00		
Jan., 1995	55	\$27,601,00		52	\$7,493.00	\$4,921.00		
Feb., 1995	70	\$61,119.00		41	\$6,472.00	\$3,973.00		
Mar., 1995	31	\$25,072.00		44	\$8,315.00	\$4,737.00		
Apr., 1995	13	\$15,353.00		16	\$3,565.00	\$1,538.00		
	23	\$11,632.00		16	\$4,315.00	\$654.00		
May., 1995				18	• •	\$1,025.00		
June 1995	45	\$31,008.00		10	\$2,630.00	\$1,025.00		
Total FY 1995	534	\$437,347.00	(\$26,049.00)	374	\$49,726.00	\$29,543.00	18.1%	70.0%
FICAL YEAR 1995								
July, 1995	0	\$0.00						
Aug., 1995	46	\$17,425.00		27	\$9,028.00	\$1,729.00		
Sept., 1995	1	\$125.00		21	\$3,093.00	\$2,049.00		
Oct., 1995	122	\$206,244.00		29	\$2,720.00	\$1,161.00		
Nov., 1995	55	\$23,124.00		62	\$10,151.00	\$6,383.00		
Dec., 1995	50	\$18,607.26		32	\$4,780.66	\$2,802.76		
Jan., 1996	49	\$13,814.88	(\$15,296.45)	36	\$5,296.51	\$3,472.89		
Feb., 1996	50	\$14,716.97		38	\$5,777.53	\$3,416.91		
Mar., 1996	33	\$24,936.91		36	\$6,035.12	\$3,421.75		
Apr., 1996	30	\$11,006.66		36	\$7,173.12	\$2,711.54		
May., 1996	23	\$7,989.34		24	\$3,941.69	\$2,020.29		
June 1996	50	\$22,151.31		16	\$2,790.02	\$1,182.23		
Total FY 1996	509	\$360,141.33	(\$15,296.45)	357	\$60,786.65	\$30,350.37	25.3%	70.1%
FISCAL YEAR 199 July, 1996		\$71,894.13		32	\$5,249.93	\$2,947.96		
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Aug., 1996	32	\$5,362.64 \$7,340.00		32 30	\$6,254.59 \$2,259.96	\$3,783.69 \$1,326.58		
Sept., 1996	41	\$7,210.00		29 25				
Oct., 1996	29	\$11,092.53		25 22	\$3,697.89	\$2,261.98		
Nov., 1996	20	\$10,009.10		22	\$1,624.63	\$698.02		
Dec., 1996	13	\$238,466.04		22	\$5,877.18	\$2,121.53		
Jan., 1997	27	\$11,755.22		17	\$4,393.30	\$2,377.09	•	
Feb., 1997	47	\$18,520.87		42	\$8,579.84	\$5,552.63		
Mar., 1997	26	\$13,434.02		27	\$4,999.59	\$2,757.67		
Apr., 1997	10	\$2,908.87		15	\$2,322.88	\$1,298.66		
May., 1997	20	\$11,682.70		15	\$5,198.91	\$1,399.21		
June 1997	5	\$8,036.58		10	\$2,335.24	\$765.34		
Total FY 1997	310	\$410,372.70	\$0.00	288	\$52,793.94	\$27,290.36	19.5%	92.9%
FICAL YEAR 1997	- 98							
July, 1997	10	\$2,811.71		8	\$1,584.67	\$823.11		
Aug., 1997	14	\$8,741.30		8	\$1,496.49	\$779.14		
		\$19,926.37		12	\$2,051.78	\$1,278.04		
Sept., 1997	29 12			23	\$3,184.83	\$2,063.89		
Oct., 1997	12	\$4,716.81 \$54,065.34						
Nov., 1997	23	\$54,965.34		10 15	\$2,424.86 \$4.376.07	\$1,218.28 \$2,775.66		
Dec., 1997	25	\$36,881.09		15	\$4,376.97	\$2,775.66		

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Jan., 1998	42	\$30,025.81		17	\$5,300.40	\$3,533.66		
Feb., 1998	37	\$31,164.95		29	\$22,961.69	\$8,501.18		
Mar., 1998	9	\$13,273.45		32	\$9,406.56	\$4,371.53		
	10			10	\$2,602.62	\$1,279.77		
Apr., 1998		\$5,628.21						
May., 1998	0	\$225.00		8	\$2,885.02	\$950.46		
June 1998	5	\$2,414.03		6	\$1,041.54	\$98.00		
Total PY 1998	216	\$210,774.07	\$0.00	178	\$59,317.43	\$27,672.72	41.3%	82.4%
FICAL YEAR 1998	_ 99							
July, 1998	9	\$1,390.43		8	\$1,964.20	\$716.75		
Aug., 1998	10	\$2,240.70		10	\$1,048.28	\$372.47		
-	8	\$2,768.96		11	\$2,000.36	\$1,148.23		
Sept., 1998						\$807.48		
Oct., 1998	22	\$28,704.85		14	\$1,860.17			
Nov., 1998	19	\$9,137.79		11	\$1,765.97	\$1,092.43		
Dec., 1998	23	\$11,959.10		27	\$4,441.02	\$2,040.71		
Jan., 1999	41	\$21,179.55		18	\$6,621.63	\$3,838.22		
Feb., 1999	45	\$26,236.24		41	\$12,119.09	\$6,923.61		
Mar., 1999	15	\$7,549.57		33	\$8,281.77	\$4,138.44		
Apr., 1999	9	\$8,013.54		14	\$3,035.82	\$1,388.41		
May., 1999	5	\$5,161.23		5	\$905.50	\$405.00		
June 1999	7	\$3,719.01		13	\$3,011.06	\$533.83		
Total FY 1999	213	\$128,060.97	\$0.00	205	\$47,054.87	\$23,405.58	55.0%	96.2%
FISCAL YEAR 1999	-2000							
July, 1999	5	\$1,556.38		9	\$2,287.53	\$1,198.81		
	10	\$2,510.83		15	\$2,455.38	\$513.73		
Aug., 1999			#E 224 PA			\$475.93		
Sept., 1999	6	\$2,032.19	\$5,324.80	28	\$3,563.06			
Oct., 1999	11	\$4,452.31	\$567.75	25	\$2,775.48	\$557.41		
Nov., 1999	14	\$8,634.64		26	\$3,250.96	\$1,322.96		
Dec., 1999	24	\$15,891.96		19	\$3,862.76	\$2,126.27		
Jan., 2000	49	\$27,872.14		28	\$7,952.94	\$3,814.02		
Feb., 2000	21	\$11,039.59		30	\$10,159.24	\$6,216.42		
Mar., 2000	19	\$9,873.21		31	\$6,709.07	\$3,555.40		
Apr., 2000	12	\$7,897.70		17	\$2,932.41	\$1 ,51 2 .54		
May, 2000	7	\$5,039.46	\$293.60	20	\$7,062.23	\$3,164.00		
June, 2000	16	\$14,566.88		18	\$5,766.59	\$1,852.12		
Total FY 2000	194	\$111,367.29	\$6,186.15	266	\$58,777.65	\$26,309.61	76%	137%
FISCAL YEAR 2000-	-01					•		
July, 2000	2	\$865.01		14	\$1,948.03	\$154.01		
Aug.,2000	20	\$15,837.60		17	\$3,302.27	\$1,063.92		
Sept.,2000	12	\$3,562.26		23	\$8,718.21	\$1,351.41		
Oct.,2000	18	\$122,696.24		29	\$7,457.98	\$490.16		
Nov.2000	13	\$15,851.30		22	\$4,038.50	\$309.30		
Dec., 2000	40	\$30,234.92		24	\$7,189.98	\$462.13		
Jan., 2001	28	\$15,923,38		25	\$7,611.66	\$833.60		
Feb., 2001	35	\$20,181.39		30	\$18,568.12	\$1,917.82		
Mar., 2001	8	\$5,956.83		37	\$15,724.02	\$753.86		
Apr.,2001	20	\$24,145.82		22	\$4,856.39	\$225.93		
May 2001	4	\$1,677.36		20	\$3,700.77	\$313.58		
June 2001	3	\$932.20		31	\$8,433.81	\$346.90		
Total PY 2001	203	\$257,864.31	\$0.00	294	\$91,549.74	\$8,222.62	39%	145%
FISCAL YEAR 2001-	.02							
July, 2001	4	\$4,290.29		25	\$6,328.36	\$293,54		
Aug., 2001	6	\$9,452.69		18	\$2,984.52	***		
Sept., 2001	0	\$175.00		25	\$4,157.32	\$66.29		
				18	\$3,174.66	\$67.32		
Oct., 2001	15 15	\$6,439.06 \$5,013.63						
Nov., 2001	15	\$5,913.63		24	\$3,932.41	\$194.66 \$502.47		
Dec., 2001	36	\$21,868.88		20	\$5,384.19	\$502.17		
Jan., 2002	56	\$27,650.44		38	\$11,100.99	\$1,008.09		
Feb., 2002	27	\$14,211.31	\$620,55	37	\$20,017.87	\$861.63		
Mar., 2002	8	\$6,765.68		36	\$10,061.89	\$419.16		
Apr., 2002	20	\$11,296.19		19	\$2,196.02	\$49.33		
May, 2002	3	\$30,852.57	\$11,887.80	27	\$8,265.67	\$538.72		
June, 2002	3	\$8,636.08		23	\$3,418.15	\$87.91		
Total FY 2002	193	\$147,551.82	\$12,508.35	310	\$81,022.05	\$4,088.82	58%	161%

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FISCAL YEAR 2002-0								
July, 2002	8	\$6,915.26		20	\$3,308.14	\$111.90		
Aug., 2002	12	\$11,943.66		24	\$4,010.98	\$47.33		
Sept., 2002	6	\$1,944.83		19	\$4,624.36	\$85.25		
Oct., 2002	24	\$12,167.99		25	\$7,131.20	\$442.95		
Nov., 2002	21	\$11,013.41		27	\$8,688.51	\$624.99		
Dec., 2002	32	\$15,763.99		23	\$7,660.18	\$689.95		
Jan.,2003	58	\$32,391.55		22	\$7,149.09	\$562.34		
Feb.,2003	33	\$18,426.48		40	\$13,988.00	\$1,122.57		
Mar., 2003	13	\$3,668.17		28	\$9,342.76	\$643.57		
Apr., 2003	16	\$5,661.77		23	\$3,004.29	\$269.02		
May, 2003	11	\$5,801.24		20	\$5,252.90	\$293.69		
June, 2003	11	\$6,700.71		24	\$6,907.49	\$224.85		
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Total FY 2003	245	\$132,399.06	\$0.00	\$295.00	\$81,067.90	\$5,118.41	65%	120%
FISCAL YEAR 2003-0	4							
July, 2003	7	\$1,742.90		17	\$3,502.99	\$30.27		
Aug., 2003	13	\$5,254.98		16	\$3,131.76	\$126.78		
Sept., 2003	13	\$15,161.55		17	\$3,797.61	\$285.74		
Oct., 2003	14	\$14,153.21		24	\$6,084.13	\$188.45		
Nov., 2003	17	\$7,594.12		18	\$4,500.13	\$245.00		
Dec., 2003	45	\$22,244.61		23	\$8,965.74	\$702.59		
Jan., 2004	32	\$17,609.03		22	\$7,016.24	\$685.11		
Feb., 2004	19	\$10,856.76		38	\$14,262.81	\$1,133.21		
Mar., 2004	17	\$14,927.35		32	\$11,840.30	\$647.13		
Арг., 2004	15	\$7,481.48		19	\$4,666.57	\$284.61		
May, 2004	13	\$4,300.96		19	\$3,608.61	\$228.47		
June, 2004	4	\$31,164.87		24	\$6,629.45	\$249.47		
Total FY 2004	209	\$152,491.82	\$0.00	269	\$78,006.34	\$4,806.83	54%	129%
FISCAL YEAR 2004-0	5							
July, 2004	3	\$29,750.20		13	\$1,343.60	\$62.86		
Aug., 2004	8	\$3,706.10		18	\$2,880.20			
Sept., 2004	11	\$3,623.86		24	\$4,407.31	\$201.50		
Oct., 2004								
Nov., 2004								
Dec. 2004								
Jan., 2004								
Feb., 2004								
Mar., 2004								
Apr., 2004								
May, 2004								
June, 2004								
Total FY 2005	22	37,080	0	55	8,631	264	24%	250%

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CURRENT MONTH

09/01/2004 TO 09/30/2004

	# CASES	AMOUNT
ORIG RESTITUTION VALUES ENTERED	11	\$3,223.86
HEARING COSTS ASSESSED	16 -	\$400. 00
SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
SALES EXCEEDING RESTITUTION	0 . == ==================================	\$0.00
RESTITUTION ASSESSED	11	\$3,623.86
PAYMENTS	15	\$3,277.77~
PAYMENTS AFTER PAST DUE NOTICE	2	\$250.00-
PAYMENTS AFTER REVOKED NOTICE	6	\$180.00-
PAYMENTS FROM COLLECTION EFFORT	1	\$524.54-
PAYMENTS FROM HRG COST ASSESSED	7 9 1	\$175.00-
DISCOUNTS FOR TIMELY PAYMENTS	9	\$201.50-
OVERPAYMENTS		\$0.45
REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT	0	\$0.00
APPLIED CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
APPLIED EXCEEDING BALANCE DUE	0	\$0.00
REFUND OF CONFISCATED COMMOD.	0	\$0.00
RETURNED CHECKS	0	\$0.00
MISC. ADJUSTMENTS		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
REASSESSMENTS		<u>.</u>
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	1	\$1,438.37-
WRITE-OFFS	0	\$0.00
ASSESSMENTS WITHDRAWN	0	\$0.00
ADJUDICATION ADJUSTMENTS	2	\$324.64-
FOUND NOT RESPONSIBLE	0	\$0.00
DISMISSED BY D.A.	0	\$0.00
CASES VOIDED BY ENFORCEMENT	0	\$0.00
OVERTURNED ON APPEAL	0	\$0.00
DISMISSED BY ADMIN LAW	1	\$985.72-

FORFEIT OF CONFISCATED COMMODS

FOOTNOTE:

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FISCAL YEAR TO DATE 07/01/2004 TO 09/30/2004

	# CASES	AMOUNT
ORIG RESTITUTION VALUES ENTERED	22	\$36,630.16
HEARING COSTS ASSESSED	18	\$450.00
SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
SALES EXCEEDING RESTITUTION	0	\$0.00
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RESTITUTION ASSESSED	22	\$37,080.16
PAYMENTS	25	\$6,112.35-
PAYMENTS AFTER PAST DUE NOTICE	7	\$959.22-
PAYMENTS AFTER REVOKED NOTICE	12	\$485.00-
PAYMENTS FROM COLLECTION EFFORT	2	\$699.54-
PAYMENTS FROM HRG COST ASSESSED	15	\$375.00-
DISCOUNTS FOR TIMELY PAYMENTS	10	\$264.36-
OVERPAYMENTS	2 ·	\$0.46
REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT	0	\$0.00
APPLIED CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
APPLIED EXCEEDING BALANCE DUE	0 0	\$0.00
REFUND OF CONFISCATED COMMOD.		\$0.00
RETURNED CHECKS	0	\$0.00
MISC. ADJUSTMENTS		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
REASSESSMENTS		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	1	\$1,438.37-
WRITE-OFFS	0	\$0.00
ASSESSMENTS WITHDRAWN	0 2	\$0.00
ADJUDICATION ADJUSTMENTS	2	\$324.64-
FOUND NOT RESPONSIBLE	0	\$0.00
DISMISSED BY D.A.	0	\$0.00
CASES VOIDED BY ENFORCEMENT	0	\$0.00
OVERTURNED ON APPEAL	0	\$0.00
DISMISSED BY ADMIN LAW	1	\$985.72 <i>-</i>

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INCEPTION TO DATE 09/30/2004

	# CASES	AMOUNT
ORIG RESTITUTION VALUES ENTERED	4,866	\$3,420,359.58
HEARING COSTS ASSESSED	488	\$12,750.00
SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	331	\$269,865.45-
SALES EXCEEDING RESTITUTION	138	\$58,209.82
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RESTITUTION ASSESSED	4,866	\$3,221,453.95
PAYMENTS	3,329	\$768,058.32-
PAYMENTS AFTER PAST DUE NOTICE	42	\$9,812.52-
PAYMENTS AFTER REVOKED NOTICE	96	\$35,318.17-
PAYMENTS FROM COLLECTION EFFORT	40	\$28,010.71-
PAYMENTS FROM HRG COST ASSESSED	252	\$6,525.00-
DISCOUNTS FOR TIMELY PAYMENTS	2,316	\$266,472.84-
OVERPAYMENTS	146	\$359.90
REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT	74	\$12,888.01
APPLIED CONFISCATED COMMODS	17	\$44,255.65-
APPLIED EXCEEDING BALANCE DUE	5	\$6,780.54
REFUND OF CONFISCATED COMMOD.	8	\$45,896.70
RETURNED CHECKS	1	\$61.75
MISC. ADJUSTMENTS		
DEBITS	3	\$55.00
CREDITS	13	\$10.22-
REASSESSMENTS		
DEBITS	21	\$6,881.15
CREDITS	68	\$40,584.10-
WRITE-OFFS	1,059	\$1,480,797.23-
ASSESSMENTS WITHDRAWN	9	\$4,717.56-
ADJUDICATION ADJUSTMENTS	42	\$21,406.83-
FOUND NOT RESPONSIBLE	95	\$199,753.36-
DISMISSED BY D.A.	1	\$2,134.47-
CASES VOIDED BY ENFORCEMENT	2	\$559.32-
OVERTURNED ON APPEAL	1	\$524.54-
DISMISSED BY ADMIN LAW	2	\$9,142.30-
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** TOTAL OUTSTANDING	289	\$376,293.86

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AGING OF SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODITIES

VIOLATION DATE UNKNOWN 1 - 30 DAYS 31 - 60 DAYS 61 - 90 DAYS 91 - 120 DAYS 121 - 150 DAYS 151 - 180 DAYS 181 - 365 DAYS OVER ONE YEAR OVER TWO YEARS OVER THREE YEARS	0 5 11 26 11 9 6 22 72 64 1,069	\$0.00 \$871.82 \$5,044.85 \$25,072.80 \$728.35 \$15,758.55 \$6,272.85 \$18,577.66 \$60,705.63 \$61,538.02 \$766,354.32
** TOTAL AGING	1,295	\$960,924.85
AGING	OF OUTSTANDING CAS	ES
COLLECTIONS WITH AGENCY: CAN NOT BE INVOICED CURRENT 1 - 30 DAYS 31 - 90 DAYS 91 - 180 DAYS 181 - 365 DAYS OVER ONE YEAR	3 4 3 6 17 35 132	\$1,183.55 \$962.23 \$1,280.68 \$31,305.71 \$15,898.89 \$32,678.72 \$121,596.16
COLLECTIONS WITH PRIVATE 1 - 90 DAYS 91 - 180 DAYS 181 - 365 DAYS OVER ONE YEAR	COLLECTIONS FIRM: 0 0 0 84	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$82,877.82
AMOUNT UNDER PROTEST: 1 - 180 DAYS 181 - 365 DAYS OVER ONE YEAR	0 0 5	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$88,510.10
** TOTAL AGING	289	\$376,293.86

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CLASS I ACTIVITY REPORT CURRENT MONTH

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09/01/2004-09/30/2004

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	# CASES	AMOUNT
FINES	2	\$200.00
HEARING COSTS		
DEBITS	274	\$8,675.00
CREDITS	2	\$100.00-
LATE CHARGES		
DEBITS	21	\$182.50
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
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TOTAL DUE		\$8,957.50
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PAID IN FULL	127	\$9,142.50-
PARTIAL PAYMENTS	6	\$300.00-
ATTORNEY GENERAL COLLECTIONS	0	\$0.00
ATTORNEY GENERAL FEES	0	\$0.00
DEPT OF REVENUE COLLECTIONS	0	\$0.00
DEPT OF REVENUE FEES	0	\$0.00
WRITE-OFFS	0	\$0.00
OVERPAYMENTS	0	\$0.00
REFUNDS	2	\$55.00
RETURNED CHECKS	0	\$0.00
MISC CHANGES		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
ADJUSTMENTS TO VIOLATION		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
VOIDS	0	\$0.00
NOT GUILTY	0	\$0.00
DISMISSED BY ADMIN LAW	11	\$600.00-
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DISMISSED BY ENFORCEMENT	0	\$0.00
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CLASS I ACTIVITY REPORT FISCAL YEAR TO DATE 07/01/2004-09/30/2004

	# CASES	AMOUNT
FINES HEARING COSTS	9	\$700.00
DEBITS	545	\$15,850.00
CREDITS	5	\$200.00-
LATE CHARGES DEBITS	115	\$978.00
CREDITS	1	\$7.50-
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TOTAL DUE		\$17,320.50
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PAID IN FULL	834	\$53,727.50-
PARTIAL PAYMENTS	22	\$1,110.00-
ATTORNEY GENERAL COLLECTIONS	0	\$0.00
ATTORNEY GENERAL FEES	0	\$0.00
DEPT OF REVENUE COLLECTIONS	14	\$763.00-
DEPT OF REVENUE FEES	13	\$60.00-
WRITE-OFFS	1	\$0.50-
OVERPAYMENTS	1	\$1.00
REFUNDS	10	\$394.50
RETURNED CHECKS	0	\$0.00
MISC CHANGES		
DEBITS	, 0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
ADJUSTMENTS TO VIOLATION		
DEBITS	2	\$100.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
VOIDS	4	\$200.00-
NOT GUILTY	3	\$150.00-
DISMISSED BY ADMIN LAW	13	\$700.00-
DISMISSED BY ENFORCEMENT	0	\$0.00
GUILTY/FINE WAIVED	0	\$0.00
OVERTURNED ON APPEAL	0	\$0.00

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INCEPTION TO DATE 09/30/2004

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	# CASES	AMOUNT
FINES	115,418	\$5,961,832.07
HEARING COSTS DEBITS	34,069	\$865,371.30
CREDITS	54,005	\$11,816.00-
LATE CHARGES	· ·	711,010.00
DEBITS	2,007	\$16,235.75
CREDITS	1	\$7.50-
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TOTAL DUE		\$6,831,615.62
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PAID IN FULL	71,195	\$3,846,660.32-
PARTIAL PAYMENTS	1,813	\$86,103.75-
ATTORNEY GENERAL COLLECTIONS	14	\$690.00-
ATTORNEY GENERAL FEES	33	\$345.00-
DEPT OF REVENUE COLLECTIONS	378	\$23,024.53-
DEPT OF REVENUE FEES	337	\$1,392.00-
WRITE-OFFS	11,983	\$696,796.50-
OVERPAYMENTS	197	\$4,289.86
REFUNDS	430	\$18,804.31
RETURNED CHECKS	78	\$4,125.00
MISC CHANGES		
DEBITS	75	\$1,215.00
CREDITS	170	\$141.88-
ADJUSTMENTS TO VIOLATION		
DEBITS	258	\$15,150.00
CREDITS	46	\$2,600.00-
VOIDS	5 , 779	\$291,300.00-
NOT GUILTY	1,309	\$66,600.00-
DISMISSED BY ADMIN LAW	283	\$14,900.00-
DISMISSED BY ENFORCEMENT	13	\$650.00-
GUILTY/FINE WAIVED	159	\$8,000.00-
OVERTURNED ON APPEAL	0	\$0.00
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TOTAL OUTSTANDING		\$1,835,995.81

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AGING OF OUTSTANDING CASES FROM CITATION DATE

COLLECTIONS WITH AGENCY: CURRENT 1 - 30 DAYS 31 - 90 DAYS 91 - 180 DAYS 181 - 365 DAYS OVER ONE YEAR	0 0 302 1,146 820 20,120	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$17,100.00 \$82,750.00 \$70,442.50 \$1,494,142.84
COLLECTIONS WITH DEPT OF REVE 1 - 90 DAYS 91 - 180 DAYS 181 - 365 DAYS OVER ONE YEAR	NUE: 0 0 0 0 2,196	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$171,335.47
AMOUNT UNDER PROTEST: 1 - 180 DAYS 181 - 365 DAYS OVER ONE YEAR	0 0 3	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$225.00
** TOTAL AGING AGING OF OUTSTANDI	24,587	\$1,835,995.81
PREHEARING 0 - 90 DAYS 91 - 180 DAYS 181 - 270 DAYS 271 - 365 DAYS OVER ONE YEAR	700 607 361 542 1,209 21,168	\$39,000.00 \$49,705.00 \$28,725.00 \$46,375.00 \$101,873.00 \$1,570,317.81
** TOTAL AGING	24,587	\$1,835,995.81



DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

DWIGHT LANDRENEAU SECRETARY

2004-312

9/30/04

AGENDA ANNOUNCED FOR LA. WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION MEETING

The next regular public board meeting of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission has been scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 7, at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building in Baton Rouge. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Approval of Minutes of September 2, 2004
- 3. Commission Special Announcements
- 4. Louisiana Wildlife Federation Resolution
- 5. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/September
- 6. Public Comments 2005 Turkey Season
- 7. Recap of Statewide National Hunting and Fishing Day Events
- 8. Set February 2005 Meeting Date
- 9. Update on St. John the Baptist Parish, et al. v. State of Louisiana, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, 40th JDC, Parish of St. John the Baptist, No. 45016, Div. B (Executive Session)
- 10. Public Comments
- 11. Adjournment

EDITORS: For more information, contact Thomas Gresham at 225/765-2923 (tgresham@wlf.louisiana.gov).

September 29, 2004

NEWS RELEASE

APPROVED: A Les

AGENDA FOR COMMISSION MEETING

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DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

DWIGHT LANDRENEAU **SECRETARY**

September 29, 2004

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Chairman and Members of Commission

FROM:

Dwight Landreneau, Secretary Dwift Landreneau/csz

SUBJECT:

October Commission Meeting Agenda

The next regular Commission Meeting will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, October 7, 2004, in the Louisiana Room at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA.

The following items will be discussed:

- 1. Roll Call
- Approval of Minutes of September 2, 2004
- 3... Commission Special Announcements

BILL BUSBICE

Louisiana Wildlife Federation Resolution

JERRY STONE

Update on St. John the Baptist Parish, et al. v. State of Louisiana, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, 40th JDC, Parish of St. John the Baptist, No. 45016, Div. B (Executive Session)

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6. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/September Page 2 Commission Meeting September 29, 2004

OFFICE OF WILDLIFE

7. Public Comments - 2005 Turkey Season

OFFICE OF FISHERIES

(None)

PUBLIC INFORMATION SECTION

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cc: Janice Lansing

Parke Moore

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Dennis Kropog

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Division Administrators

Marianne Burke

Greeson, Cathy

From:

Landreneau, Dwight

Sent:

Thursday, September 30, 2004 12:33 PM

To:

Greeson, Cathy

Subject:

Re: Memo for Signature

Go ahead and sign it in my behalf

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----Original Message-----

From: Greeson, Cathy <cgreeson@wlf.louisiana.gov>

To: Landreneau, Dwight <dlandreneau@wlf.louisiana.gov>

Sent: Thu Sep 30 12:24:37 2004 Subject: Memo for Signature

Susan has drafted a memo for your signature to the Chairman and Members of the Commission regarding the October Commission meeting agenda. She needs to get this memo out today.

Can I sign or stamp?

Cathy

Falcon Susan

From Whitrock Frederick

Monday September 27 2004 1 07 PM Falcon Susan Sent

Τo Case name & Info Subject

St John the Baptist Parish et al v State of Louisiana Dept of Wildlife and Fisheries 40th JDC Parish of St John the Baptist No 45016 Div B

If you need anything else let me know

Frederick C Whitrock Attorney Department of Wildlife and Fisheries P O Box 98000 Baton Rouge LA 70898 9000 phone (225) 765 2971 facsımıle (225) 763 3530 fwhitrock@wlf louisiana gov

Falcon, Susan

From:

Burke, Marianne

Sent:

Tuesday, September 21, 2004 12:22 PM

To:

Falcon, Susan

Subject:

RE: Commission Agenda Items

I will do a recap on NHFD statewide.

From:

Falcon, Susan

Sent:

Tuesday, September 21, 2004 9:20 AM

To:

Burke, Marianne

Subject:

Commission Agenda Items

Marianne, will you have any agenda items for the Commission's October 7 Meeting? Please let me know.

Thanks,

Susan Falcon



DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

DWIGHT LANDRENEAU SECRETARY

September 1, 2004

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Undersecretary, Assistant Secretary-Office of Wildlife, Assistant Secretary-Office

of Fisheries and Press Secretary

FROM:

Dwight Landreneau, Secretary 10

SUBJECT:

Commission Meeting Agenda - October 7, 2004

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Susan: I have in opendo items from the Inland Fisheries Dirrien. Thanh

C John Roussel

Falcon, Susan

From:

Foote, Karen

Sent:

Tuesday, September 14, 2004 4:03 PM

To:

Roussel, John E

Cc: Subject: Porch, Pat; Falcon, Susan; Bourgeois, Martin; Banks, Patrick; Hanifen, Jim; Blanchet, Harry

October Commission meeting

At this time, Marine Fisheries has no agenda items for the October meeting.

We are still working with Enforcement and the 2nd floor on updating the Out of State Landings rule. \cdot

We will not suggest a rule change to institute the \$100 fee for bait shrimp permit until we get advise from Legal that it is necessary.



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